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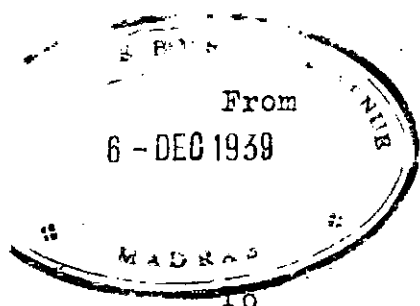
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(SUBJECT.)

Assessment - Lands revenue - (South Kanara) - Mangalore
 Srirathkal (v) - SNo 201, 328/1, 331/3 etc - Remission
 Orders passed

Ref.C.No. 2260-39-A5.

South Kanara Collector's Office,
Mangalore, dated 1 - 12 - 1939.



A. C. Woodhouse, Esquire, C.I.E.,

Collector of South Kanara.

The Secretary to the Board,

Land Revenue and Settlement,

M a d r a s.

Sir,

Assessment - Land Revenue - (South Kanara) -Mangalore
Taluk - Surathkal village - Holding No. 176 - S.Nos. 201, 328-1,
331-3, 332-1 to 4, 333-1 to 3 and 5 to 19 -reduction of
assessment.

Mr. John P. Sequeira, Ex-Official Receiver, South Kanara and the registered holder of holding No. 176 of Surathkal village submitted a memorial to Government on 25-3-39 praying for the remission of assessment on certain wet lands included in his holding as no crops could be raised on them. Extracts from village A register and 10-I account in respect of the lands held by the petitioner are enclosed. This memorial was received in this office from the Government and enquiry was held into the grievance of the petitioner.

2. The wet lands held by the petitioner measure 62.35 acres and are assessed at Rs. 357-11-0. They lie by the side of the river, Pavanje in Mangalore Taluk and are liable to submersion as they are low lying. These lands were originally poreamboke and were transferred to ayan and were assigned to the petitioner at the appropriate wet rates, after collecting site value. The particulars of the lands and the year in which they were assigned are given below:-

	Year.
S.Nos. 69-1, 320/1, 3A, 3C, 321/2A, 2D1, 2D3	1924
S.Nos. 320-2 and 321-2C1	1927
S.Nos. 73-3, 201, 328/1, 331/3, 332/1 to 4, } 334/1 to 3 and 5 to 19 }	1933

3. The nine plots assigned in the years 1924 and 1927 were assessed at the wet rate of Rs. 6/- an acre. During the Resettlement operations in 1934 Mr. Sequeira applied to the Settlement Officer for reduction of assessment. On the recommendation of the Settlement Officer a reduction of assessment was proposed to the Board and the Board accepted the proposal to reduce the rate of assessment to Rs. 4/- an acre subject to the Resettlement enhancement in its Proceedings Misc. No. 1489 dated 15-4-1939. These lands *| not put up* therefore now bear the assessment of Rs. 4-8-0 (inclusive of Resettlement enhancement) an acre. The Revenue Divisional Officer, Mangalore, who inspected these plots in 1934 as Settlement Tahsildar has again inspected them and is of opinion that nothing has transpired since then to justify further reduction of assessment. No doubt tiny portions of these lands also are under water and remain still unreclaimed but no concession on that account is admissible.

4. But the case of the plots assigned in 1933 is different. R.S. 73-3 is assessed at Rs. 3-6-0^{an} acre and the rest at Rs. 6-12-0 an acre. The water in these plots is about 3 to 9 ft. deep and the chances of reclaiming them in the near future are doubtful. The classifications and rates in the case of *|| D* these plots were imposed at the time of assignment before reclamation according to the orders on the subject. Portions of rivers and channels as well as actual reclamations and accretions thereof were assigned at wet rates. At the resettlement, warg dry lands throughout the District and Government dry lands in some of the Taluks were reclassified as wet, if wet cultivation had been raised or if the land had been levelled, bunded and rendered fit for wet cultivation. The principle adopted during the currency of the Resettlement was cultivation for a period of 5 years. This was modified in B.P. 1172 dated 28-4-39 so far as river accretions and *| not put up* similar good lands are concerned. But it is a question whether the levy of wet rates will be justified in respect of actual portions of rivers not reclaimed at all. Under the rules

no change of classification or rate from one class of wet to another is permissible and a wet land can be converted to dry if it has become so for reasons beyond the control of the ryot. The present case therefore does not strictly come within the purview of these rules.

5. There was of course no opportunity for Mr. Sequeira to apply for a reduction of assessment in 1934 along with those referred to in para 3 above as these lands were assigned to him only in November 1933 and he could not anticipate that the lands in question would remain useless even after spending money on their reclamation. Though he has been paying an assessment of about Rs. 255/- annually for the past 6 years he has been getting practically no yield from these lands. His attempts to reclaim them have been futile. Though he should have been careful when purchasing these plots, I think on principles of equity

reclassification of the lands is justified. Reclassification of these lands from wet II to wet III at Rs. 2-4-0 is unacceptable as the lands cannot be wet III on the ground, as this classification is usually given only to bettu fields and as a change of taram during the currency of the Resettlement is prohibited. The alternative would, therefore be to reclassify these lands as dry. This may not, however, be a case of "wet land become dry for reasons beyond the control of the ryot" but it is a case where the land has all along remained dry for reasons beyond the control of the ryot, though at the time of assignment it was expected that the land when reclaimed would be good enough to bear the wet rate of Rs. 6/-. It would be hard for the registered holder to relinquish the lands which he has bought from Government and on which he has spent a large sum already. I, therefore, recommend that the lands in question may be transferred to dry at the highest dry rate of the village which is Rs. 2/- the classification being VII-1-1.

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To

The Secretary to Government,

Revenue Department,

Government of Madras,

Fort St. George, Madras.

Memorial of John P. Siqueira son of Sebastian Siqueira,
Landholder, residing in 'Field View' Kodialbail,
Mangalore, dated 23-3-1939.

Most Respectfully sheweth,

That he is an ex-official Receiver and landholder paying an assessment of about Rs. 400/- to Government in respect of Patta No. 176 of Surathkal village, Mangalore Taluk, South Kanara District.

2. That towards the end of 1923 an extent of about 23 acre river accretion in the said village was being put up for sale from month to month but no sale could take place on account of the combination of the villagers and consequently the memorialist was dragged thither by the Revenue Inspector late Mr. Ramachandra Rao and he bid for the entire lot for a sum of Rs. 3500/- as against about Rs. 500/- on the previous unsuccessful sales.

3. That the land thus purchased was not fit for cultivation being about 6 ft. lower than the adjoining cultivable land and the memorialist was constrained to raise the level by filling it up with sand earth and silt at a cost of more than Rs. 60,000/- For the improvement of land the memorialist obtained a loan of Rs. 10,000/- from Government under Loan No.1/1924 in addition to other amounts. The loan of Rs. 10,000/- was for a period

of

of 20 years. On account of a suit against the memorialist for Rs. 30,000/- by one Mr. J.M. Watt of Messrs. Peirce Leslie & Co for a motor accident the then Collector Mr. G.W. Wells was not considerate enough towards him, the memorialist was compelled to repay the loan in 1929 long before the due date.

4. That inspection of the work was made by Messrs. Souter, E.M. Gawne, and several Revenue Divisional Officers and the memorialist believes that they were satisfied with the nature of the work done and the large amount invested on raising the level of the land, constructing extensive bunds and several buildings and planting cocoanut trees.

5. That during the first one or two years the land thus reclaimed yielded a fairly good crop but not sufficient to cover the interest and assessment.

6. That the adjoining wargdars and villagers who were putting obstacles in the way of sale at the earliest stage being inimical with the memorialist in the month of December or January every year damaged the bund put up by the memorialist and allowed salt water to inundate the entire area reclaimed and the land was thus made unfit for raising any crop for the past several years. That even this year the suggi (second) crop raised was destroyed by brackish water.

7. That inspection by an expert and P.W.D. official will show that the land reclaimed is higher than several adjoining lands and that a large amount has been invested on this improvement.

8. That on account of the memorialist not being able to get any satisfactory crop for the past several years and on account of his having to spend large amounts to protect the land reclaimed he has been financially handicapped in various ways.

9. That he has hitherto paid assessment regularly to Government on an average of about Rs. 350/- for the past 10

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to 15 years and this year he finds it ^{very} difficult to make the payment of assessment immediately and the Revenue Inspector of Surathkal Range has ordered the Potali to proceed to distrain movables inspite of Memorialist asking for time with the Potali.

10. That in consideration of the various circumstances set forth above the memorialist prays that the Collector may be asked to enquire into this matter and that Government may be pleased to remit the amount on the lands both in the current year as well for atleast for 3 years till he is able to get proper crops. That in any event the Government may be pleased to grant him time for payment of assessment till June 1940 or at least till the disposal of this Memorial and stay all -- proceedings contemplated for the recovery of assessment from the Memorialist.

Mangalore |
 |
23rd March 1939 |

Sd/ John P. Siqueira,
Memorialist.

Revenue Department.

Endt.No. 1782 E/39-1 dated 29--3--39

Transferred to the Collector of South Kanara.

Sd/ x x x
Asst.Secy. to Govt.

o the Collector of South Kanara.

(True copy)

Register A :- Survey and settlement register of No. 4, S. K. K. village, Mangalore Taluk, S. K. and Dist. for First 1348

Survey Number	Sub Division	Old warg and Kudithala Number	Wet, garden or dry	Single crop or double crop	Class and sort of soil	Taram	Rate per acre	Extent	Assessment	Number and name of pattadar	Remarks	
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	4	do	do.	1	7.2	3	6 12 - 98	6	10	131	B. Babu Raya	

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15	do	do	1	7 2	3	6 12	8	7 5		do		
16	do	do	1	7 2	3	6 12	124	8 6		do		
17	do	do	1	7 2	3	6 12	9	7 6		do		
18	do	do	1	7 2	3	6 12	64	4 5		do		
19	do	do	1	7 2	3	6 12	✓ 84	5 11		do		
73	3	do	1	6 4	6 8	6	✓ 2 49	8 7		do		

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(True Extract)

W. Sequeira
For Collector
4.12.39

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10. ಭಾಗ 1. South Kanara ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ - ಹಾಗೂ 176 ನೇ ಪಿ. ಎ. ಸಿ. ಕೆ. ರ. ದೆಹಲಿ ಕನ್ಸ್ಟಾಬಲ್ ಬಿಲ್ಡಿಯ ಮುಂಜಿಲ್ಲೆ ತಾಲೂಕು ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 49 ನೇ ಸುತ್ತು ಕಟ್ಟು

49 - Sunathal village

ಪೂರ್ವ 1348

ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಸಬ್ ಮೆಂಟೆ ರಿಜಿಸ್ಟ್ರಿ - 1348 ನೇ ಫಸಲಿಬಗ್ಯು.

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	332 - 1	-	95	6	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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D.R. (ಸ. 6) 75, 1339, 1343 (22-11-33)

ಈ ತಪ್ಪಿಯು ಪ್ರಥಮ ತಯಾರಿಸಿದಾಗ್ಯು ಸಬ್ ಮೆಂಟೆ ಚಿಟ್ಟಿಯ ನಕಲಾಗಿರುವುದು. ಅದನ್ನು ಪುನಃ ತಯಾರಿಸುವಾಗ್ಯು ಮುಂಚಿನ ವರದಿ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ ಪ್ರತಿ ಒಂದು ಪಟ್ಟಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿರುವ (ಹೊಲ) ಗಳ ನಂಜ, ಬಾಗ್ಯತು - ವ - ಪುಂಜ ಯಂಬ ರೀತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಳಗೆ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ ಮತ್ತು ತೀರ್ಪು ತಪ್ಪಿಲು ಕಾಣಿಸಿ ದಾಖಲೆ ಮಾಡತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಪ್ರತಿ ಒಬ್ಬನ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವಾಗ್ಯು ಪ್ರತಿಪಕ್ಷಗಳ ನಂಬ ಕೊಡತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಮತ್ತು ಪ್ರತಿ ಒಬ್ಬ ಪಕ್ಷದವರಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವಾಗ್ಯು ಯಾವ ಪುಟಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಉಂಟಾದ ತೋರಿಸುವ ಒಂದು ಅನುಕ್ರಮಣಿಕೆಯನ್ನು ಪುಸ್ತಕದ ಪ್ರಥಮದ ನಂಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಬರೆಯತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಪುನಃ ಈ ಬರಹವನ್ನು ಹೊಸತಾಗಿ ತಯಾರಿಸುವ ತನಕ ಈ ನಂಬ ಗಳನ್ನು ತಪ್ಪಿಲು ಮಾಡತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಆದರೆ ಹೊಸ ಪಟ್ಟಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕೊಡಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಮುಂಚಿನ ಪಟ್ಟಿಗಳ ಆಧಾರದ ನಂಬದ ನಂಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಅವುಗಳಿಗೆ ಜಂಜಿರವಾಗಿ ಕೊಡತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಖಾಲಿ ಉಳಿದ ಪಟ್ಟಿಗಳನ್ನು ದೇರೆ ಹೊಸ ಬರಹ ತಯಾರಿಸುವ ತನಕ ಹಾಗೆಯೇ ಬಿಡತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಯಾವದೊಂದು ಪಟ್ಟಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅದ ತಪ್ಪಿಲುಗಳ ತಪ್ಪಿಲು ದಾಖಲೆ ಮಾಡಲಿಕ್ಕೆ ಸ್ಥಳ ಸಾಕಾಗದಿದ್ದರೆ ಪುಸ್ತಕದ ಆಧಾರದ ಹೊಸ ಪುಟದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಂಥಾ ತಪ್ಪಿಲುಗಳನ್ನು ಬರೆದು ಆ ಕುರಿತು ಅನುಕ್ರಮಣಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬರಾ ನಮೂದಿಸಬೇಕು.

ಪಟ್ಟಿಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಅಗುವ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ತಪ್ಪಿಲುಗಳನ್ನು ಅಯಾ ಪಟ್ಟಿಯ ತಪ್ಪಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಣಿಸಿ - ಯಾ - ಪಡೆದಾಡಿ ತೋರಿಸಬೇಕು. ತಪ್ಪಿಲು ಇರುವ ವರದಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಐನ್ ಭೋಗೋಟಿಯನ್ನು ತೋರಿಸುತ್ತಾ ಬರಬೇಕು. ಮತ್ತು ಈ ತಪ್ಪಿಲು ಗಳನ್ನು ಯಾವ ಹುಳುಂ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದು ಆ ಹುಳುಮಿನ ನಂಬ ಮತ್ತು ತಾರೀಖು ಬರಾ ರಿಖಾನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಣಿಸಬೇಕು. ಅದೇ ರೀತಿ ಪಟ್ಟಿದಾರರ ಹೆಸರುಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಅಗಬಹುದಾದ ತಪ್ಪಿಲುಗಳನ್ನು ಹುಳುಮಿನ ನಂಬ - ವ - ತಾರೀಖು ನಿಶಿಂ ಲಿಖಿದ ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಮೂದಿಸಬೇಕು. ಪಟ್ಟಿದಾರನು ಅಪ್ರಾಯಸ್ಕನಾಗಿರುವ ಸಂಗತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ರಕ್ಷಕನ ಹೆಸರು ಸಹ ನಮೂದಿಸಬೇಕು.

ಪಟ್ಟಾ ನಂಟು 176

ಹೆಸರು J. P. Sequeira.

ದಕ್ಷಿಣ ಕನ್ನಡ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ Hanyalor Taluk ತಾಲೂಕು NO - 49 Surethkal Village ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಸಬ್ಲಿಮಿಂಟ್ ರಿಜಿಸ್ಟ್ರಿ-1348 ನೇ ಫಸಲಿಬಗ್ಯು.

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ತೆರಿಗೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಏಕಾ ನಮೂದಿಸಬೇಕು. ಪಟ್ಟಿಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಆಗುವ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ತಬ್ಬಿಲುಗಳನ್ನು ಆಯಾಯ ಪಟ್ಟಿಯ ಪಟ್ಟಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಈಡಿಸಿ - ಯಾ - ಪಟಾ ಮಾಡಿ ತೋರಿಸಬೇಕು. ತಬ್ಬಿಲು ಇರುವ ವರ್ಷದಲ್ಲಿ ಐನ್ ಭೋಗೇಸಲಿಯನ್ನು ತೋರಿಸುತ್ತಾ ಬರಬೇಕು. ಮತ್ತು ಈ ತಬ್ಬಿಲು ಇನ್ನು ಯಾವ ಹುಕುಂ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದು ಆ ಹುಕುಮಿನ ನಂಬ್ರ ಮತ್ತು ತಾರೀಕು ಏರಾ ರಿಖಾನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಣಿಸಬೇಕು. ಅದೇ ರೀತಿ ಪಬ್ಬಾದಾರರ ಹೆಸರುಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಆಗಬಹುದಾದ ತಬ್ಬಿಲುಗಳನ್ನು ಹುಕುಮಿನ ನಂಬ್ರ - ವ - ತಾರೀಕು ನಿಶಿಂ ಲೆಖ್ವುಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಮೂದಿಸಬೇಕು. ಪಬ್ಬಾದಾರನು ಅಪ್ರಾಯಗ್ಯನಾಗಿರುವ ಸಂಗತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ರಕ್ಷಕನ ಜೆಸರು ಸಹ ನಮೂದಿಸಬೇಕು.

[CAN]

G.F. 18.

DRAFT FOR APPROVAL.

	Date.	Initials.	SUBJECT:—
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Mr 1-4 CF " " Letter from the Collr of South Kanara F-756819

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Order Ms. No. 343, dated 3-2-1940
Resolution Rout.

P1 CF - Para 2

The following lands in Surathkal Village, Mangalore TK, South Kanara Dt. which were originally portions of the river forambone were transferred to again and assigned to Mr B. John P. Sequeira in the year 1924, 1927 + 1933 after collection of land value.

Sns 69/1, 320/1, 3A, 3C } 1924
 321/2A, 201 + 203 }
 Sns 320/2 + 321/2C1 } 1927
 Sns 73/3, 201, 32871, 331/3 } 1933
 332/1 to 4, 334/1 to 3 + 5 to 19 }

P2 CF - Para 3

The lands assigned in 1924 + 1927 were first assessed at the wet rate

of Rs 6/- an acre but on the assignee's representation, the rate was reduced to Rs 4/- an acre. Only tiny portions of these lands are under water & remain unreclaimed. Of the fields assigned in 1933, Rdn 73/3 is assessed at Rs 3/6-0 an acre and the rest at Rs 6-12-0 an acre. The assignee's attempts to reclaim them have ^{so far proved} been futile & they are reported to be ~~are~~ under 3 to 9 feet of water. In his petition received with the Collector's letter cited above, Mr. John Sequeira has requested that remission of land revenue on all the above lands may be granted for the current year and for three more years till he gets proper crops. The Collector considers that as the assessment on the lands assigned in 1924 & 1927 has already been reduced from Rs 6/- to Rs 4/- an acre, no further concession is necessary in respect of these lands and has recommended the transfer of the lands assigned in 1933 from wet to dry

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P2 CF - para 4

P5 CF - para 10

P2 CF - para 3

P3 CF - para 5 - last sentence

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B on the grounds that their reclassification from wet II to wet III is unacceptable & the chances of reclaiming them in the near future are doubtful.

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2/ According to paragraph 2 of revised memorandum for the guidance of the Revenue. Officers printed in B.O. No 47, Press d/4.5.3 wet lands can be transferred to dry on application from the registered holders provided they are found, owing to causes beyond the ryots' control, to be dry on ground and fit for dry cultivation only. The lands proposed to be transferred to dry by the Collr are not actually dry on ground nor are they fit for dry cultivation. The petr has also not applied for their transfer from wet to dry. Therefore the Collector's proposal to transfer the lands ^{assigned in 1933} from wet to dry does not commend itself to the Board.

As regards the lands assigned in 1924 and 1927 the Board approves the Collr's recommendation.
P 2 CF - para 4

3/ The above wet lands are under 3 to 9 feet of river water. It makes no difference whether they have been eroded down.

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'accretions' which still have
that much height to emerge
out of water. ^{3. The Board considers that the lands assigned in 1933 are in much the same}
~~the~~ position ~~for~~ as 'eroded' lands for
purposes of cultivation & shd be treated in the same manner in regards
payment of assessment, ~~is the~~
~~same between the lands in~~
~~question & those eroded.~~ The
Cmty is requested to apply
the orders issued in P.O. No 6
of 3.1.40 to these lands assigned
~~to the petn in 1933~~ and allow the petitioner
time five years' time within
which to make them fit for
cultivation, during which ^{period} ~~time~~
he will get remission if there is no
crop. Afterwards they should be
treated as "Mamul wastes
if not relinquished and the full
wet assessment collected.

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The Cmty J. S. Kaurane
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Mr 1-4 CF

Assessment - Land Revenue - Remission - (South Kanara) -
Mangalore TK - Surmakal (V) - Petn of Mr John P. Sequeira
Letter from the Collr of South Kanara F 7528

Mr 5-8 CF

To As

Mr John P. Sequeira submitted a memorial to the Govt praying for remission of land revenue on the lands assigned to him ^{(in Surmakal (V), Mangalore TK)} for the current year + for three more years till he gets proper crops. The reasons adduced for not getting satisfactory crops are

(i) that the loan of Rs 10,000/- obtained from the Govt for the improvement of the lands assigned to him was recovered from him long before the due date and therefore he was financially handicapped, and

(ii) that the adjoining ryots who are in enmity with him damaged the bunds raised by him + allowed salt water to inundate the entire area reclaimed by him and rendered it unfit for raising any crop.

The memorial was transferred by the Govt to the Collr of South Kanara. The Collr has now submitted it with the recommendation that no concession need be allowed in respect of the lands assigned in 1924 + 1927 and that those assigned in 1933 may be transferred to duty as no other concession is admissible and as it would be hard for the registered holder to relinquish the lands

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which he has bought from Govt. & on which he has spent a large sum already.

3/ From the Collector's report it is seen that the lands purchased by the petr. in public auction are river accretions assessed at wet rates and that he spent a large amount for raising their level & making them fit for cultivation. He considers that the assessment on the lands assigned in 1924 & 1927 having already been reduced from Rs 6/- to Rs 4/- an acre, no further concession is necessary in respect of them. ^{as any large portions of these lands are wet & water} His proposal is to transfer S.N.D. 73/3, 201, 328/1, 331/3, $\frac{332}{1+4}$ 336/1 to 3 & 5 to 19 assigned in 1933 from wet to dry for the reason that their reclassification from wet II to wet III is unacceptable and ~~that~~ the chances of reclaiming them in the near future are doubtful.

para 3 - P2 CF

Para 5 - P3 CF

4/ According to the Memorandum of instructions given to the Dt. Res. Staff, transfer of wet fields to dry, during the currency of the resettlement, can be ordered on application from the ryot holders provided they are found, owing to causes beyond the ryots' control, to be dry on ground & fit for dry cultivation only. In the present case, the lands referred to are not actually dry on ground nor are they fit for dry cultivation. The petr. has also

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not applied for their transfer from wet to dry. According to the Coltr's report, the water in these plots is about 3 to 9 feet deep and the chances of reclaiming them in the near future are doubtful. As such, there seems to be no justification in collecting wet assessment at the rate of Rs 6-12-0 in respect of all lands except Rmo 72/3 which is assessed only at Rs 3-6-0 an acre when the regd holder is not deriving any income ~~worth the name~~ from these lands which are reported to be under water. It is for consideration whether these lands (Smo 73/3, 201, 328/1, 331/3, 332/1 to 4, 334/1 to 3 + 5 to 19) may be transferred to dry as a special case and assessed at the highest dry rate of the Village as proposed by the Coltr.

para 10. p 8 of

57 The petri report ^{for} ~~of~~ remission of assessment for the current & 3 further years accord to para 13 of the order of the Govt. of 1940 to pay the assessment may be recommended by S. Section.

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Note by S. Section.

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(12-2-11-68)

Under para 2 to B.S.O. No. 13 Remission of ~~wet~~ assessment may be granted on single crop wet lands, if the lands are left waste or the crop is totally lost owing either to deficiency or excess of water, provided that ~~the~~ ^{such} excess or deficiency has not been occasioned by any neglect

or act of the persons to whom the lands belong. According to the petitioner's statement para 6, p. 6. T.C.F. the entire area reclaimed by him was inundated by salt-water due to the damage caused to the bund by inimical wargdars and villagers in the neighbourhood. Hence the petitioner's request for remission cannot be brought under B.S.O. 13-2 p 28, B.S.O. Vol. I (B.R. No 68).

It is for him to seek redress from the civil courts for the damages or to ^{have} transfer the lands ^{transfers} to dry as recommended by the para 5, p. 3 C.F. Collr. If on the other hand, the Board considers that the various circumstances set forth by the memorialist justify the grant of a special treatment, the payment of assessment ~~Bill of Materials~~ may be ordered to be postponed till June 1940.

For orders

20.12.39. If remission can be granted in respect of the lands assigned in 1933, there will be no need either for relinquishment or for transfer to dry. The pewan's reluctance to relinquish the lands after all the labour and money invested in them is not unreasonable and it is clearly not right to transfer to dry lands which are unfit for dry cultivation. The best plan will be to grant remission every year so long as the pewan is unable to cultivate them owing to excess of water. He will not keep them as they are but

will certainly try to drain them and make them fit for paddy cultivation, if possible and if his attempt fail, he may relinquish them rather than pay cess which itself is not a negligible sum.

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The C.D. may be asked to report whether remission cannot be granted under para 2 of B.S.O No 13.

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J.S

There was a file recently, when yet the orders of the Col. Mahar, the question of eroded lands was considered, as far as I recollect, the conclusion was that remission may be allowed for 5 years; and thereafter, the owner sh^d either relinquish or pay assessment as "mammul waste". Please see letter orders have been so passed; & so whether this case cannot be disposed of on that basis. If not, a reply as proposed above will be necessary.

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AS (Set)

To A.P.

BJS-36 CF (T)

Please see B.S. No 6 d/3.1.40 in which instructions to the effect that remission may be granted for eroded lands until they become "mammul wastes" by remaining uncultivated for five consecutive faslis, were issued to the C.D. The lands in question have not been eroded but

they are merely under submission. If there is scope for draining away the salt water the petitioner can reclaim the land whereas in the case of an eroded land it is not possible until the washed away land is reformed. The Comr. may be asked to report whether remission cannot be granted under para 2 of B.S.D. No. 13 as proposed at A on p 5 N.7.

2/. As pointed out above, the lands under ref. ^b_{12.1.40} are not eroded lands and the order in the B.O. in B.O. No. 3.1.40. will not apply to them. The lands are now accretions, assigned to the petrs, some in 1924, some in 1927 and some in 1933. The Comr. does not recommend any concession in respect of lands assigned in 1924 and 1927. The lands assigned in 1933, also being wet, the Comr. recommends their transfer to dry. Though the order in B.O. No. 3.1.40 will not apply to these lands, an order on the basis of that B.O. is now passed for them, which will not afford any relief to them. These lands have already lain waste for more than 6 years, having been assigned in 1933, under B.O. No. 3.1.40 if the lands are not relinquished after the first four years, because the right provided that he could not reclaim the land during the period, he should pay the assessment as for marginal waste. The Comr. considers that it would be hard for the petrs to relinquish the lands which he bought and on which he has spent a large sum already, and that the

pp 35-36 (T)

para 3, p 2 of

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chances of reclaiming them in the near future are doubtful. He considers also that on principle of equity a reclassification of the lands is justified, to give the peti some relief. So an order on the lines of B.O. on 6.4.3.1.40. will not give any relief to the peti. So a res. as proposed at A at p 5. if order issued to the Com. ~~for draft submitted~~

by ~~the~~ ^{has} 17/1/40

J.S

The point for consideration is whether or not the Board may agree with the Com's recommendation.

1. Para 10 at p 8 of. Contains the petitioner's prayer. It is "to remit the lands amount on the lands both in the current year as well as for at least 3 years, till he is able to get paddy crops". Then he adds, if this can't be done he may begin time at least till June 1940.

2. This request will be ~~met, so far as 1933 lands are concerned~~ ^{met, so far as 1933 lands are concerned} ~~if the~~ ^{if the} ~~Com is asked to apply~~ ^{Com is asked to apply} to his case, the rule about "eroded" lands. When the land is under 6 feet of water, it makes no difference whether it is land which has been eroded

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down to that level; or we rise 'accretions' which have the mud height to emerge out of water. The position of the purposes of Cultivation & payment of assessment is the same. Hence I could apply the rule about 'evros' lands to this ten. The fact that ~~that~~ for 5 years' time with which to make it fit for cultivation, during which time he will get remuneration if there is no crop. Afterwards, it will be treated as "Manned waste", if not relinquished. ~~The charge will be the effect of the fact~~

3 The Com^{rs} recommend to transfer to dry. A. S. S. is wrong to transfer to dry land which, it is known, is not fit for dry cultivation. The land is really not fit for reversion, either as wet or as dry, because it is unfit for any cultivation. But, if a man insists on keeping it in holding & it has to be reversion as something or other, I suppose it does not much matter whether it is reversion wet or dry for the so-called Settlement point of view. The latter, however, is a necessary relief for the work.

4. I think the best arrangement here is to ^{to reversion the land dry} best. The Com^{rs} suggest is the next best. As it is the land which held in no account at all for an indefinite length of time,

does not Command itself to me.
Any way, the question put to the
Cdr is the draft, is real for
the Board to say - being a matter
of principle & not one of fact. Please therefore publish
a revised Conclusions note for
Member's orders, specifying the
penalty for orders as ^{which} ~~case~~ of the three
Suggestions to be followed in this case.

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Previous notes need not be read.

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To AS

AS. (all)

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Mr. John P. Sequeira submitted a memorial to the Govt. praying for remission of land revenue on the lands assigned to him in Burathkal village of Mangalore TK for the current year & for three more years till he ^(& that he might from him to pay the amount not due) gets proper crops. The reasons adduced for not getting proper crops are (i) that the loan of Rs 10,000/- obtained from the Govt. for the improvement of the lands assigned to him was recovered from him long before the due date & that he was financially handicapped thereby and

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(ii) that the adjoining ryots who are in inimical terms with him damaged the bund raised by him & allowed salt waters to inundate the entire area reclaimed by him and rendered it unfit for raising any crop.

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from Govt and on which he has spent a large sum already.

37 From the Coltr's letter it is seen that the lands purchased by the petitioner in public auction are river accretions assessed at wet rates and that he spent a large amount for raising their level and making them fit for cultivation.

pp 2-3 CF - para 4 & 5

He considers that the assessment on the lands assigned in 1924 & 1927 having already been reduced from Rs 6/- to Rs 4/- an acre (reduced Rs 4/8).

p 2 CF - para 3

no further concession is necessary in respect of them as only tiny portions of these lands are under water. His proposal is to transfer Nos. 78/3, 201, 328/1, 331/3, $\frac{332}{1+6}$, 334/1 to 3 & 5 to 19 assigned in 1933 from wet to dry for the reason that their reclassification from wet II to wet III is unacceptable and that the chances of reclaiming them in the near future are doubtful.

p 3 CF - para 5

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dry cultivation only. In the present case the lands referred to are not actually dry in ground nor are they fit for dry cultivation. The petr. has also not applied for their transfer from wet to dry. As the Collr. reports that the above lands are under 3/4 of 9 feet of water, they are not fit for registry either as wet or as dry ^{and} because they are unfit for any cultivation. In as much as the petr. has not relinquished his title to the above lands, they have got to be regd. as wet or dry ^{and} ~~but~~ ^{if they are regd. as dry, it} will be a measure of relief for the petitioner. ^{A better course that maybe applies} ~~The next course~~ ^{is to} ~~if the orders~~ ^{in respect of eroded lands viz} issued in Bb No 6 of 3.1.40 ~~to the effect that~~ remission may be granted ~~for eroded lands~~ until they become "Mamul wastes" by remaining uncultivated for five consecutive years ~~can be applied~~ ^{to the lands in question} as these lands are under 3/4 of 9 feet of river water, it makes no difference whether they have been eroded down to that level or are river 'accretions' which still have that much height to emerge out of water. The position for purposes of cultivation & payment of assessment is the same between the lands in question & those eroded. ^{Therefore the rule} ~~about 'eroded' lands~~ ^{can be applied to} this case and the petr. given five years' time

p 2 CF - para 4

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within which ~~time~~ ^{heav} to make it fit for cultivation, during which time he will get remission if there is no crop. Afterwards they will be treated as "Marud wastes", if not relinquished & the full wet assessment should ^{then} be paid.

6/ The last course ^{that might be adopted} is to grant remission of assessment under para 2 of B.S.O No 13. ~~But~~ P28 of B.S.O Vol I - T.B.K.61
It will have to be granted every year so long as the petr. is unable to cultivate the lands owing to excess of water. By granting remission, the above lands will be held on no assessment at all for an indefinite length of time.

It is therefore for orders ^{which of the 3 suggestions might be followed in this case} ~~whether~~

- (i) Nos. 7373, 201, 3287, 331/3, 332/1 to 4, 336/1 to 3 & 5 to 6 may be transferred from wet to dry as proposed by the Commr. or
- (ii) the rule about 'eroded' lands may be applied to this case or
- (iii) remission of assessment under B.S.O No 13 - para 2 may be granted.

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I prefer (ii) to (i) and

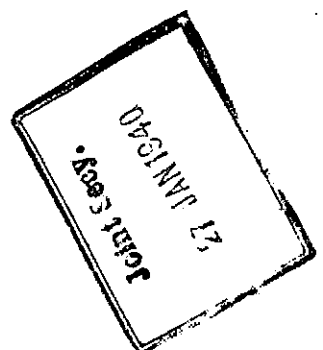
(i) to (iii). A.S. (Sd)

prefer (iii) to either (i) or (ii).

For orders.

Ref

To be read from p 11 N7



I agree with J.S. that the rule of 'eroded land' may be applied

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Ref
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Dated 3-2-40

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Joint ~~Secretary~~.

A.S. (L.R.)

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I.A.

Note:- Entries not requiring to be secured out.

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